

Kupkes' Enduring Faith Overcomes Crisis

By MATT CAMPBELL &
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(First in a series of two articles)

How far can a strong, enduring faith in God and faith in America carry you? It can carry you a long distance indeed — through the emotional terror of being held captive for 444 days by a group of Iranian terrorists if your name is Rick Kupke, and through the equally trying days of wondering about and praying for your son's safety if your names are Art and Eleanor Kupke.

Less than 24 hours before their Mar. 20 departure for a welcome vacation in sunny Hawaii, Rick, Art and Eleanor Kupke paused to talk in an exclusive interview with the co-editors of STUFF in their small, comfortable farm home in eastern Jasper County, and this talk brought forth the courageous story of a rural Indiana family that persevered and grew during this intense, personal crisis, and now prepares to move into the future with a renewed strength and faith to meet life's challenges.

How did your faith in God and faith in America help you endure this crisis?

Eleanor: When you meet a crisis like this, you simply cope with what you have to. It's staggering to think of all the people and friends who called us or wrote to us and told us how much they cared — this kind of support helped us cope. Iran bragged that they had brought America to its knees; we were on our knees, all right, but not in the sense Iran thought. We were a nation on our knees in prayer. But we won!

Art: I remember getting letters from so many schoolchildren, like those that would say, "We don't know you Mr. Kupke, but we thought you'd like to know that we have 'adopted' Rick here at our school and we are praying for his safe return."

Rick: I depended on myself and my own inner strength a lot to endure this time; you can certainly say that faith played a role — there are no atheists in foxholes or in captivity.

How did you react to the news of the rescue attempt that failed?

Eleanor: I was sorry, sad and depressed at this news, but I was grateful and appreciative for the courage of those involved in the rescue mission. It helped to know that those involved had volunteered; it was noteworthy that those who survived said they would try the rescue again. I grieve with the families of those who lost their lives in this attempt.

Art: This rescue attempt was the wrong thing to do because we had waited too long to try it — but at least we did try.

Rick, were you made aware of the attempt to rescue you?

I was eventually made aware of the rescue attempt through notes smuggled from prisoner to prisoner in the garbage system. When I heard of the rescue attempt, I didn't believe it. I really thought any rescue attempt would fail because the hostages were spread around in so many places within Iran. We were kept totally in the dark about such developments by our captors.

Eleanor: I was very careful about what I wrote to Rick, because I knew his captors would read everything first, and I didn't want to give them anything they would use against Rick. I wrote him that I wouldn't come to Iran to attempt to visit him unless I had the approval of our State Department. I knew that only a few of my letters probably got through to him — this helped deepen my appreciation for the fact that we live in a free country.

What were your feelings toward President Carter during this crisis?

Eleanor: I really respect Carter for his efforts; I hold no anger toward him and respect him because he did all he could. Remember, Carter was responsible for getting our hostages out alive, and that's what was most important.

When were you made aware that you were going to be released?

Rick: I was told we were headed for freedom about one hour before boarding the plane in Iran, but even then I didn't fully believe it because our captors had lied to us so often.

Art: I was very skeptical about the news of their release and reports that the hostages had boarded a plane to fly out of Iran.

Rick: We didn't fully accept the fact that we had made it to freedom until we arrived in Frankfurt and saw all those German people cheering for us. The sight of the United States' airplane at the airport in Algiers — the plane that would fly us to Germany — gave us a big lift. We were somewhat tense and stunned by all the developments of the day when we landed in Algiers after the flight from Tehran; but by the time we got to Germany, the idea of freedom had sunk in.

What did you miss most about the U.S. during your captivity?

Rick: My freedom, that's what I

missed most. There are just so many freedoms in a free country, you take them for granted.

Do you have any nightmares on account of your experience in Iran?

Rick: No, I don't have any nightmares and I really don't regard these months since my release as a time of recovery. I did come home

with a case of the flu, but I don't believe I suffered any severe mental trauma, nor did I see any need for consulting a psychiatrist like a few of the hostages did.

Eleanor: Other hostages told me that Rick was a morale builder for them during their period of captivity.

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Art, Eleanor and Rick Kupke are home again at their Jasper County home northwest of Francesville. Rick plans to return to work with the State Department later this month; Art is a farmer and Eleanor is a teacher in the Rensselaer school system.

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Little 500 Roars Saturday; McAleer Wins Pole Spot

One of the biggest weekends at Saint Joe's has finally arrived: Little 500!

Changes in Saturday's race include a caution area at turn three by Seifert and Merlini. "This is for safety purposes," says Dan Plunkett (sr.-ESF), senior chairman of the Little 500 Committee. "In this area, karts are required to slow down, stay in single file, and passing is prohibited," he continues. "This is because of the rough track in this section."

Another change implemented this year is the position of the scorer's post — this will be located at turn three and all lap counting will be done here.

Little 500 Queen will be announced at 11:45 a.m., 15 minutes before the race begins. Included in the court are Vicki Bauer (jr.-Jus.), Nancy Rapp (so.-Jus.), Barb Salkeld (jr.-Jus.), Fran Strebing (so.-Jus.), and Cathy Travnik (sr.-Jus.).

Grand marshal of the race will be Mildred Tate, board of trustees member and president of the Per-Pak Corporation of Brook, Ind.

On sale during the weekend will be Little 500 programs and T-shirts. The shirts are being sold by Saint Joe's chorus.

"We have many experienced drivers in the race this year," comments Dan Plunkett. "Also this year, we were not able to convert to Briggs and Stratton engines, because of economic conditions and a limited time element. However, next year we hope this can be done."

Steve McAleer won the pole position for Saturday's Little 500 with a qualifying lap time of 103.5 to finish just ahead of the 103.73 time registered by Carl Schreiber (sr.-Ben.).

Coming in third was the kart driven by Peg Versgrove (jr.-Jus.) and Donna Griffin (jr.-Jus.); in fourth place was Peggy Hansen (so.-WSF) and John Rooney (sr.-WSF) captured the number five spot.

Starting sixth are Kirk Jockel (sr.-Gal.) and Mike Nassr (sr.-Gal.); seventh place went to Vicki Bauer (jr.-Jus.) and Nancy Rapp (so.-Jus.) while Tom Hull (fr.-Swt.) and Mark Hamilton (jr.-Swt.) will start in eighth position. Mark Hopkinson (jr.-Ben.) starts in ninth and Gary Barnett (so.-Ben.) completes the top ten.

Prize money includes: \$500 - first place, \$250 - second place, \$125 - third place, \$75 - fourth place, and \$50 - fifth place.

In addition, trophies will be awarded to the top six finishers and engraved college mugs will go to the top six finishers and their pit crews.

For his performance last Saturday, McAleer won the third annual Rislone trophy/tray which goes to the fastest qualifier.

If the weatherman cooperates, a crowd of between 2500 and 3500 fans can be expected to attend the race.

John Schrei, co-chairman of the Little 500 Committee, predicts that, "all signs point toward a very close, competitive race. We are certainly hoping for that type of race, and a safe one."



Go-kart driver Carl Schreiber (right, with cap) had his share of mechanical problems during last Saturday's Little 500 time trials but still managed one quick qualifying lap that placed him in second position for the start of this Saturday's Little 500 race.

(Photo by John Green)

'500' Safety Stressed

Three weeks are left in the 1980-81 school year and tomorrow starts the highlight of the year — Little 500 weekend. This is a time that students look forward to for an enjoyable conclusion to the semester.

I'm sure by now you have read or heard about Sr. Karen's handout. She stated that necessary action will be taken if someone is caught outside the dorm with an alcoholic beverage. Many students feel that she doesn't have the authority to do this, but she does, and we should live by our campus rules. Abide by the rules and Little 500 will be a problem-free occasion.

One aspect of the weekend cannot be overlooked — safety. Safety is vital, and the cooperation of the entire campus is required to insure this safety.

Though in the past, accidents have been at a minimum, measures should be taken to reduce their likelihood this year. Inform parents and alumni that when crossing the track, they should do so quickly and carefully and recommend to them to view the race from the straightaway, because many of the accidents occur on the turns. Safety is a must in an event such as this one, and carelessness can create accidents.

Little 500 holds a rich tradition here — it is the focal point of the school year. If everyone does their part to ensure a safe race, a more enjoyable weekend will be had by all.

Forget about the classroom hassle and have a great time. Little 500 can only be successful if students participate.

Non-Voters Revealed

On Apr. 2, a flyer was distributed on the cafeteria tables which listed all the names of students who did not vote in the recent class elections. While many students had very legitimate reasons why they did not vote, other students did not.

It is very easy to be apathetic on this campus. We must not let our apathy interfere with changing the quality of campus living. We should all take pride in our institution and try to improve things the best we can. We can get the changes that we need if we would all start caring and working at it.

Students might have questioned the legitimacy and ethics of publishing student names in a flyer exposing them to the public view. Yet, we have got to realize that only we can change the situation on campus if we would only care. Taking two minutes out of your time to vote is hardly putting anybody out. Voting is a privilege and should be used to voice our opinion. This is much more constructive than complaining to your roommate — which solves nothing.

Things can change on our campus if we would all take an interest in improving it. The best of luck to next year's class officers in the 1981-82 school year and a tremendous thank you to all those who served in these respective positions this year.



Saint Joe freshman Stephanie Lindahl (Jus.) examines some of the paintings that graced the Halleck Center ballroom Mar. 28 to Apr. 1 during an art fair sponsored by the Jasper County Art League. (Photo by John Green)



Letters To The Editors

Dear Editors:

In the Mar. 5 issue of STUFF, I read an article about an incident concerning Core XI and the security office. I found the article to be a big joke. Miss Lacouture should have found out what really happened that night before she started printing incriminating, untrue stories.

First, Miss Lacouture said the girls were carrying pitchers (plural) out of Core XI. We and security know for a fact that there was only one pitcher taken out.

Second, everyone (including the two students involved) know security did their job that night. Security, after confiscating the pitcher, came to

Core XI and told the bartender what happened. They then took the student ID which was left for the pitcher. The bartender then informed the two students that they were not allowed in the bar until further notice, because of the laws of the state of Indiana.

Third, the article stated the girls were on their way to Merlini, when in fact they went straight to Halas, where they live.

I don't know where this gossip columnist gets her information from, but I strongly suggest that when incriminating other people, she should at least get the facts straight.

Thank you,
Ms. W. Skinner



Reporter's Note:

In regard to the above letter, I wish to defend my statements as printed in the Mar. 5 issue of STUFF.

I still strongly believe that both security and the bartender on duty in Core XI did not do their respective jobs that night. If people would carefully read the rules of Core XI, they will notice that no one is allowed to remove any alcoholic beverages or container from the bar itself (regardless of whether or not the student leaves his / her ID). This rule has been repeatedly violated in the past and there is written evidence of this fact on file.

This incident would not have been written at all if not for one small problem: even with all the rules stating that no one, regardless of age, is allowed to transport any alcoholic beverage to any building on campus, security did not stop the two students from leaving Halleck Center. I was one of the student witnesses to this, and the students did leave Halleck. Constant abuse of this rule is one of the major reasons why Saint Joseph's lost its liquor privilege to sell beer at mixers and other special events a couple of years ago. Repeated violation in the future will only bring about the closing of Core XI permanently (they have been warned about this in the past).

I will not argue the points of whether or not the students were carrying one, or more, pitchers of beer, or whether they were heading to Merlini, or Halas, as I feel these are less important facts. The point I will argue is that the students should not have been allowed out of Halleck, let alone out of Core XI (this was stated clearly in the article).

Sincerely,
Monique Lacouture

Pryma Elected Senior-Of-Year

By ROXANN BRACE

Leo Pryma (Ben.) has been elected senior-of-the-year in a vote conducted by the Alumni Association board of directors. The five finalists for the honor were chosen by a vote of the senior class, then the alumni board selected Pryma from among the finalists.

Dr. Kenneth Ahler, president of the Alumni Association, presented Pryma with his award at the senior banquet last Mar. 19. As the surprised Pryma went to receive his award his fellow classmates and administrators saluted him with a standing ovation.

"I think I deserved the award," responds Pryma. "But, that is not to say that there were not others who did not deserve the award."

For Pryma, it has been an encouragement to keep striving for the best. "It is nice to be recognized," he notes.

The senior-of-the-year plans to make good use of his Saint Joe education. Already he has landed a job with a computer company where he will be in-

involved in the sale of large computers.



Pryma

"I credit Saint Joseph's for much of my success and I feel that Saint Joe, being a small school, allowed me to get ahead faster," explains Pryma. "I was able to get access to a computer whenever I wanted, whereas at a large school this is almost impossible."

However, not only is Leo Pryma a good computer student, he is also a well-rounded person, and he thanks Saint

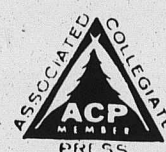
Joseph's Core curriculum for this. "Core has been a super-beneficial form of a general education. I'm sold on it!" he reports.

Pryma plans to remain with the computer company in Chicago for five years. After this, he would like to practice his computer science theoretically, mainly by teaching.

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Conditioning Bolsters Women's Track

By BRAD CANGANY
WOMEN'S TRACK

Saint Joseph's women's track program continues to grow, as evidenced by the well-groomed track and new equipment near Alumni Fieldhouse. Says assistant coach Linda Taulman, "We're pretty enthusiastic with how things are going and we will be hosting our first home meet Apr. 22 against Valparaiso."

According to Taulman, this year's team is in better condition at this point in the season, than teams in previous years. "We have more endurance because our winter conditioning program has really paid off. Not too many of our girls competed in high school, and with mostly freshmen, we are a little inexperienced this year."

The season is in full swing and will culminate with the Little State meet May 9. The squad features 18 solid members with at least two for each event. Leading the way in the distance events are Margaret Koopman and Peggy Mecler. In the middle distances, which are the 400 and 800 meter run events, are Eileen



Puma netter Joe Pavnica returns a volley during Saint Joe's dual match with Franklin here Mar. 25. Despite three early-season losses, coach John Barrientos reports that the team is showing steady improvement. (Photo by John Burrell)

Flannelly, Nancy Rapp and Staci Williams.

Saint Joe's will feature Margaret Huffman, Andree LaCasse and Donna Griffin in the sprints. Debbie Robbins and Danette Stiller are the team's hurdlers with Megan Dineen, Peg Versgrove and Huffman left to anchor the field events.

TENNIS

Fielding a well-balanced

five are not far behind. Following Casey in their respective positions are Mark Salkeld, Joe Pavnica, Matt Campbell, Jim Finnerty and Terry Miles.

"We're pretty deep," says Salkeld, a senior from Kankakee, Ill. "The guys from second to fifth position are very evenly matched. Our hope in the Little State match will be our strength in the lower positions."

So well-balanced is the team that recently in an intra-squad challenge match, Salkeld was thumped by Jerry Corcoran, who plays in the number seven spot. "We all have an equal chance," Salkeld comments.

The squad is very inexperienced with only one returning letterman (Casey). Besides Salkeld and Finnerty, the entire team is underclassmen, and mostly freshmen at that. This provides Barrientos with a good nucleus to develop.

For the future, Barrientos is trying to schedule teams on Saint Joe's level of competition and he is ordering new equipment like a ball machine. In the meantime, he is altering practices with such variations as the aforementioned challenge match.

MEN'S TRACK

For a variety of reasons, this year's men's track team is suffering through a difficult transition. Due to injuries, withdrawals from school, graduation and simply a low roster turnout, this year's squad does not have the depth for solid team competition.

"We have to approach our meets from an individual standpoint. We can't expect to go into a meet and get a first place because we don't have the numbers. But, if our guys can put in good individual efforts and take a couple of first places, then we'll feel we have succeeded. Success comes in degrees and we measure ours by individual accomplishments," comments coach Dave Smith.

Led by various runners, the Pumas hope to place some people on the all-conference team. Kevin Tatum, all-conference last year, is working back into shape for the sprints. C.D. Blackwell is a strong performer in the 220 and 440 and Tony Martin leads the Pumas in the distance events. Barry Watson, who set a school record in the Marion meet, represents Saint Joe's in the discus and shot put.

PUMA PRINTS

Gridders Drill For Fall

By MONIQUE LACOUTURE

Springtime is usually the time of the year when all of nature has a sudden rebirth from the cold, harsh grip of the fading winter.

In the sports world, too, spring is also a time for a new beginning for baseball players and outdoor runners — but football?

Here in Collegeville on a sunny April afternoon, you'd be most likely to find the fighting Pumas out on the field preparing for next season's schedule. These spring drills are very important in the strategy of developing a top-flight, championship team.

"Basically, spring drills are held for three main reasons — 1) to improve on techniques and skills, 2) to help to try to find the right personnel for the right positions, and 3) to have a chance to experiment and evaluate our present players," says offensive coach Fred Mariani.

Defensive coach Rich Wheeler agrees with Mariani on the importance of spring drills. "It's a good chance to see the younger players, but again, here is where spring drills helps to fill that void.

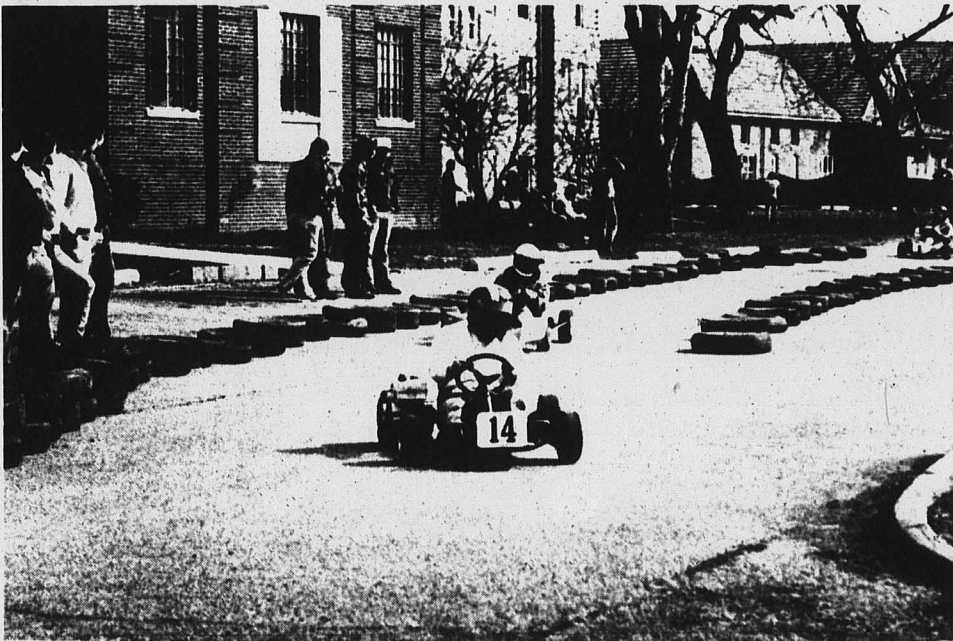
"Although we'll be losing some very fine players, spring drills will help us to evaluate the other players and move them into their spots," Mariani says. Some of the key offensive performers next season will include running backs Keith Jones, Danny Lewis, Kyle Myers, and Tim Callahan; in the tight end spot will be Ernest Watson and Mike Paxton, along with Jeff Rosenbauer and Jeff Brinkley as split ends. Dave Bormann is looking good in the flanker position with Gary Barnett and Dewayne Harris right behind.

Likewise, at defensive end, there are many players vying for some of the starting posts. "For our defensive ends we have John Gause, Marty LaPierre, and Ron Leffler. These three have been making good progress in this area," says Wheeler. Bob Hoop, Dan Underwood, and Brian Righeimer are some of the candidates for the linebacker spots. "Our hard-hitting techniques in blocking and tackling are improving," Wheeler comments.

All of the players have improved throughout the winter as well, thanks to the team's winter conditioning program, led by assistant coach Spig Kepa.

"Winter conditioning is a sort of tune-up for the spring drills — we concentrate on weightlifting and agility, reaction, and endurance drills," says Kepa. Winter conditioning also has physical benefits of reducing nagging injuries, as it readies the athlete's body at the level of endurance and confidence for the spring drills.

At this time, too, the Puma coaches are out roaming the countryside looking for the right recruits. Eight players have been signed to this date, and approximately 60 others will be on hand in August when the team begins pre-season drills.



Driver John Rooney pilots West Seifert's kart through the single-lane turn between Seifert and Merlini Halls during Saturday's time trials. The single-lane safety innovation worked effectively in reducing danger on a poorly-paved section of the track. (Photo by John Green)

Pumas' Rookie Pitchers Learn While Absorbing Early Defeats

By DAVE RUSCHAU & HERB WILKER

Saint Joseph's rebuilding baseball team has dropped 13 of its first 16 games as the team gains experience the hard way. "We have mostly freshmen pitchers, and they are learning by the school of hard knocks," says Puma coach George Waggoner.

Saint Joseph's returns to action Saturday for a conference doubleheader with Indiana Central at home, followed by another twin bill on the road at Valparaiso Sunday.

Division I Notre Dame visits Saint Joseph's Tuesday for a doubleheader. On Apr. 18, the Pumas will play a twin bill here against Rose-Hulman before the Great Lakes Valley Conference tournament is held Apr. 24-26.

"We are hoping the young people can gain the needed experience before the tournament, and we will be using these four games as a final tune-up before the tournament," Waggoner explains.

Saint Joseph's first contest of the season was a doubleheader on the road against Marion, Mar. 21. The Pumas won the first game 8-4 but

dropped the second, 10-6. On Mar. 28, the Pumas were at Bellarmine, where they dropped both ends of a doubleheader by scores of 6-2 and 4-0.

The Pumas' fourth and fifth losses of the season came at the hands of Northern Kentucky Mar. 29 — Saint Joseph's College lost the first game 6-4 and the second 11-4. Saint Joseph's played its first home doubleheader Mar. 31 against Indiana and the Pumas finished on the short

end of both games, 10-6 and 16-6.

The Pumas opened April with two losses, 6-2 and 12-1, at the hands of the Purdue Boilermakers. "So far this season, the inconsistent pitching and hitting has hurt us tremendously. Our first-year players, however, have shown promising talent and the poise that will be needed in the future," explains co-captain Bob Ellis (sr.-Sft.), who stroked two home runs against Purdue.



Saint Joseph's Jim Redd (40) beats a throw to second base during the Pumas' doubleheader here Mar. 31 against Indiana University. Consequently, IU second baseman, Kevin Saunders (2) can only relay the ball to first.

(Photo by John Burrell)

Scholarship Dinner To Honor Valedictorians Laethem, Meyer

By MARY SALISBURY

On Friday, Apr. 24, co-valedictorians Lynn (Ceisel) Laethem and Steve Meyer will be honored with awards of academic excellence at the Saint Joseph's College scholarship dinner in Chicago. Laethem and Meyer will be recognized for their outstanding academic achievements as the possessors of the highest cumulative averages for women (3.98) and men (3.97) in the graduating class. In looking back over their years at Saint Joe's, each offers some insight as to the reasons for their success and why they found Saint Joseph's to be a good experience.

Both Laethem and Meyer cited the Core curriculum as a major factor in their decision to attend Saint Joe's. They were also inclined to favor the smaller school. "Spread out over all four years, I could get right into my major and still

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have the liberal arts exposure," notes Laethem, a December graduate in accounting-business administration. Says Meyer, "I think it is better the way Saint Joe has rolled up many of the non-major subjects into one program. I would have



Mrs. Laethem

disliked the regimented classes in liberal arts subjects."

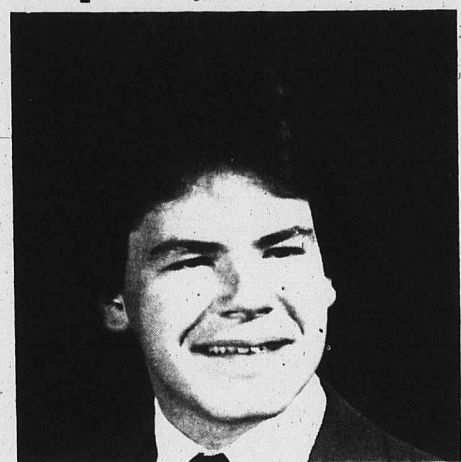
"Core is good for the person as we were exposed to so much. It added to my growth as a person and made me so much more aware," adds Laethem.

Active in the Accounting-Finance, Business, Economics, and Chicago clubs, the Junior Advisory Council and the chorus, Laethem was also a member of the Blue Key Society and received the Ernst and Whinney scholarship her junior year. She is currently working as a member of the auditing staff at Ernst and Whinney of Saginaw, Mich. "I feel I was adequately trained in the technical background necessary for my job."

Also active in the Senate, the Student Union Board, the Appeals Board, and a member of the Blue Key, Meyer added chairing Monte Carlo and Mardi Gras to his list of extracurricular activities. "I enjoyed being involved in extracurricular activities in high school and am happy to have had the opportunity to do so here at Saint Joseph's. If you are involved with campus life and you are tensed up

from studying, you can get out into one of these activities and relax," he explains.

Meyer, a political science major, plans to attend law school. "During my four years here, I've learned to discipline myself in my study



Meyer

habits. Law school will take three years of hard studying, and I will really have to discipline myself," he says. Meyer also spent a summer working in congressman Floyd Fithian's Lafayette office, getting additional first-hand exposure to the governmental system.

Laethem and Meyer ex-

press the same sentiments as to the personal nature of Saint Joe as the one thing they liked best. "I especially liked the devotion to the students by the professors at Saint Joseph's and because of its smallness, getting to know so many other students," says Laethem.

Adds Meyer, "It's the personal contact and the access to the faculty. You get to know the teachers better, and they get to know you better, and that always helps in the classroom situation."

Kupkes' Faith Overcomes Crisis . . .

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What are your feelings toward the people of Iran?

Rick: I hold no ill feelings toward the Iranian people.

Eleanor: On more than one occasion during those 444 days, Iranians here in the United States came up to me and apologized for the conduct of the militants, and in each case I assured them that it was not their fault; they couldn't be held responsible for what the militants were doing.

Did this experience create any special feelings of togetherness among yourself and the other hostages?

Rick: Oh, definitely yes, there were many strong feelings of togetherness that resulted. We even have tentative plans for a reunion this month in Virginia.

Did you get the impression that Iran was looking for a way to get rid of the hostages—that you had become a monkey on their back?

Rick: We certainly had become a burden to them and they were looking for a way to get rid of us. This is because the war with Iraq had become their number one concern; the



"Done To Death" was the title of the stage play presented by the Columbian Players Apr. 2-5 in the campus auditorium. Here John Mullin (left, playing Brad Benedict), Laurie Matusiak (center, playing Mildred Z. Maxwell) and Tony Dio Guardi (right, playing Rodney Ducton) carry on a bit of dialogue. (Photo by John Green)

hostages were now number two.

Do your lives go on now essentially as before, one of you farming and the other teaching?

Art: I find that we have many new friends and many more friends now than before. I find that now when I meet a friend, we stop and talk for a while, rather than just saying hello and going on our ways. It is good to have our lives now returning to normal; we

enjoy the peace and quiet of our rural life.

Eleanor: It is probably a little easier for us to resume a normal lifestyle more quickly in a rural setting than it would be if we lived in a large city.

Rick: I have found since my return that more people than before recognize me on sight, at least in this area.

(Next: How Rick Spent 444 Days In Captivity)

Social Preview

By LEN KOHL

There are a lot of activities taking place in our beloved Pumaville within the next two weeks, among them our annual Little 500 race and mixers. This is a perfect way to wrap up the year. I have a few last-minute announcements: The musical *Lil' Abner* will be performed at the Rensselaer Central High School auditorium on Apr. 9, 10, 11. Admission is \$2.75, and the play begins at 7:30 p.m. Advance tickets can be purchased at Ribordy's and Fendig's Drugs and at the main office at the high school.

Also, all refrigerators (or "iceboxes" as I call them) must be returned Wednesday, Apr. 22, to your friendly S.A. officers. Here's hoping that everyone enjoys themselves during Little 500 weekend.

Friday, Apr. 10 marks the beginning of Little 500 weekend. This is the time when friends, alumni, and parents come to SJC for good times and to enjoy themselves. Little 500 weekend gets off to a good start with "Bayb," the rock band from Montreal, Canada (who are now in the process of cutting their first album) in the ballroom at approximately 10 p.m.

Saturday, Apr. 11, the Little 500 race officially begins at 12 noon until — weather permitting — 4 p.m. and after the race, "Amusement Park," a great dance band from Chicago (where else?) kicks off the start of the Little 500 dance, also in the ballroom at approximately 10 p.m.

The weekend of Sunday, Apr. 12, movie in the auditorium "Breaking Away." "Breaking Away" is the story about a group of kids just out of high school in the summer and what happens to them. I don't have any information about the stars of this movie (almost all of them are newcomers to Hollywood) but I do know the film won the Academy Award for best screenplay, and reportedly is a very well-done movie.

Monday, Apr. 13, Psych Club bingo at the Care Center (no time given).

Tuesday, Apr. 14, transition workshop, ballroom, 6:30 p.m.

Friday, Apr. 17, Good Friday, no classes.

Sunday, Apr. 19, Easter Sunday (Maybe next year Saint Joe's will smarten up and give students Monday off after Easter so students can be with the family a little on Easter instead of heading back here).

SJC chorus spring concert, auditorium (no time given as yet).

Tuesday, Apr. 21, Psych Club clothes drive, which will continue through Monday, Apr. 27.

Wednesday, Apr. 22, Halas "end-of-the-year" picnic, Lake Banet, 4:30 p.m.

Thursday, Apr. 23, Student Senate banquet, president's dining room, 4 p.m.; Accounting-Finance banquet, chapel north, 4:30 p.m.

Officers Elected

By DAN RODRIGUEZ

Saint Joseph's 1981-82 class officers were chosen during elections that took place Mar. 31 and Apr. 1. Next year's senior class officers are Libby Houran, president; Mary Beth Guiden, vice-president; Vicki Bauer, treasurer; and Beth Conroy, secretary.

Next year's junior class officers are Mike St. Clair, president; Mike O'Rourke, vice-president; Linda Smith, treasurer; and Mary Ann Schultz, secretary.

New officers for next year's sophomore class are Mary Burke, president; Theresa Brodeur, vice-president; Jeanelle McDonnell, treasurer; and Donna Mitchell, secretary.



New Student Association officers for the 1981-82 academic year have been elected. They are, left to right: social vice-president Steve Foremski, president Augie Ghilarducci, treasurer Donna Riffle and secretary Fran Strebinger. (Photo by John Burrell)